GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3403
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EVOLUTION OF OIL BLOCKS
Athithan Shri Dhanuskodi

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a review has been sought on the entire evaluation process of two Blocks i.e. Block-D-3 and Block-6 in Krishna Godavari (KG) under NELP-V;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c):- No, Sir. Block D-3 (KG-DWN-2003/1) falling in KG deepwater & Block 6 (GV-ONN-2003/1) falling in the Ganga Valley basin under the Fifth Round of the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP-V) have already been awarded separately to two consortia. Block D-3 (KG-DWN-2003/1) has been awarded to a consortium of M/s Reliance Industries Ltd and Hardy Exploration & Production Indian Inc.; and Block 6 (GV-ONN-2003/1) has been awarded to a consortium of M/s Cairn Energy India Pty Ltd, Cairn Exploration (No.1) Ltd and ONGC, and the Production Sharing Contracts with these consortia have already been signed on the 23rd September, 2005.